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Subject: USS Reference Number: 02-0151

ACHD Reference Number: 3972 400 & 600 Unit Claus Plants

USS Clairton Works

Gentlemen:

The attached form terminates the subject incident. Any questions concerning this matter should be referred to Coleen M. Davis at 233-1015.

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Clairton Works Raw Materials

NOTICE OF OUTAGE OF EQUIPMENT ARTICLE XXI - SECTION 2108.1

- 1. USS Reference Number: 02-0151 <u>Termination</u>
 ACHD Reference Number: 3972
- 2. Date & Time of Breakdown: Date: 11/05/02 Time: Unknown
- 3. Company Name: U.S. Steel Corporation USS Clairton Works
- 4. Specific Equipment Involved or Affected: 400 & 600 Unit Claus Plants
- 5. BAPC Permit Number (if applicable):
- 6. Location: Clairton, PA
- 7. Nature and cause of breakdown: Repairing holes in the acid gas lines leading to the 400 Unit & 600 Unit Claus Plant thermal reactors.
- 8. Identification of Emissions:
 - A. Type(s) (CO, NOX, SO₂, Particulates, Hydrocarbons, etc.) H_2S
 - B. Toxic qualities of each type (including its qualities as an irritant, and its potential for causing illness, disability, or mortality). H_2S is an eye, nose, and throat irritant.
 - C. Amount of each type emitted (or likely to be emitted). Light to Moderate
- 9. Measures taken (or to be taken) to minimize length of breakdown and amount of emissions, including shutdown or curtailment (or why it is impossible or impractical to do so).

 The Claus Plant continued to operate and process H₂S. Repairs were completed on the gas line leading to the 400 Unit Claus Plant on 11/11/02 at 2000 hours. Repairs were completed on the gas line leading to the 600 Unit Claus Plant on 11/20/02 at 1430 hours.
- 10. Facility back in operation Date: 11/20/02 Time: 1430 hours

Signature (leso h. Davis Date 11/33/02

Senior Environmental Control Engineer Phone: 233-1015